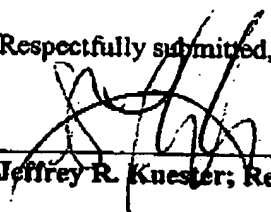


CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments and for at least the reasons set forth in the Remarks presented in the Amendment filed April 30, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit that all objections and/or rejections have been traversed, rendered moot, and/or accommodated. Consequently, claims 1-29 are now pending in the present application. Applicant submits that no new matter has been added and that the now pending claims 1-29 are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned agent at (770) 933-9500.

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